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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Electrical Examiners

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: May 6, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Daniel Creedon, President, Professional Member Bobby Murrian, Vice-President, Professional Member Michael Travers, Continued Education, Professional Member Thomas Hartley, Complaint Officer, Professional Member Robert MacLennan, Professional Member Nathan Schreppler, Board Secretary, Public Member Richard Millar, Public Member

ABSENT

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General Maggie Strauss, Administrative Specialist II David Mangler, Division Director Gayle MacAfee, Division Deputy Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Richard Holub
Jason Gonzalez
Lawrence Witty
Wes Galloway
James Nutter

Kim Willson
Chester Kelly
Frank Tyler
Jean Elliott

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Creedon called the meeting to order at 0906.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, second by Mr. MacLennan, to approve the meeting minutes from March 4, 2015. The motion carried unanimously.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ReReview of Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, second by Mr. MacLennan to table the application of Bernard Pacana for proof of experience under a Master Electrician. The motion carried unanimously.

Review & Discussion of Regulations

The Board began the review and discussion of the proposed regulation draft by Mr. Nutter. The Board agreed that the language needs to clearly state that the exemption is only for persons employed by the company (not those hired through temp. agencies) and that those persons can only work directly on their specific equipment, not any of the electrical components leading to the equipment, or any covered under the 2011 NEC. A representative from DuPont asked that the Board consider language that allowed for repair and maintenance on the equipment, not to preclude the required electrical inspections, but because maintenance & repairs are not "inspect-able". Mr. Maloney suggested the wording "...work directly on specific equipment not covered under the NEC..." Mr. Hartley wanted to also request that it should state the employees of the company may not supervise non-licensed personnel, that way it prevents any potential loopholes in the regulation.

The Board also reviewed the other regulations as drafted and approved the changes. A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Schreppler to allow Mr. Maloney to prepare a final draft to send to the registrar. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Creedon called for a 5 minute recess at 0940. The meeting reconvened at 0947.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Examination Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, second by Mr. MacLennan to approve the following applicants to sit for their respective exams: Jonathan Harrison – Master, Ronald C. Buck – JP, Cory Richards – JP and Jason E. Tolson – JP. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Reciprocity Applications

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to approve the reciprocity applications of Paul Felty – Master. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to approve the reciprocal application of Wayne T. Owens contingent upon receipt of his license verifications from MD. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, second by Mr. MacLennan to accept the ratification of Apprentice Electrician applications of: Anthony M. Honaker, Antonio M. Huss, Brenden M. Wilson, Britain Allen Johnson, Isaiah Emmanuel James, Yesenia M. Martinez-Morales, Shaheem C. Mason, Jeffrey M. Ousey, Jr., Travis Edward Rash, Vincent W. Rizzi, Kevin Degroff Garber, Christopher William Robinson, Kyle Ryan Seiverd, Daniel W. Shorter, Anthony Guzman, Noah Z. Deltoro, Kevin Castro, Francisco Javier Calderon Zavala, Jasmine Nicole Barrett, Brandon Joseph Baker, William Gregory Bailey, Dustin Alexander Clarke, Craig Ryan Billings, Bryan J. Vaught, Jordan B. Nelson, Mark S. White, James M. Morse, II and Jason M. Burr. The motion carried unanimously.

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A motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, second by Mr. Murrian to accept the ratification of Journeyperson Electrician applications of: Sharon E. Doring, Andrew Mikolgj Czerwinski, Mark D. Jones, Brian L Keeley and Jacques Orville Bowe. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, second by Mr. Murrian to accept the ratification of Master Electrician applications of: Pedro L. Alicea, Arthur R. Todd, Sean P. McFadden, Charles Gary Fries and Thomas T. Wootten. The motion carried unanimously.

Applications for Review - Deputy Attorney General

Under guidance from Mr. Maloney, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Travers to approve the exam application of Sean Griggs. The motion carried unanimously.

After further review and discussion, and under guidance from Mr. Maloney, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Hartley to approve the JP application by certificate of Lawrence Witty based on his military training and experience, as well as testimony provided by Mr. Witty. The motion carried unanimously.

Under guidance from Mr. Maloney, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Hartley to impose final denial on the JP application of Brian Govin. The motion carried unanimously.

Under guidance from Mr. Maloney, a motion was made by Mr. Creedon, second by Mr. Murrian to table the JP application of David V. Smith for more background information. The motion carried unanimously.

Complaints Status

01-11-14 – Attorney General

01-15-14 - Assigned

01-16-14 - Attorney General

01-17-14 - Assigned

01-20-14 - Attorney General

01-21-14 - Attorney General

01-23-14 - Attorney General

01-27-14 – Attorney General

01-28-14 - Attorney General

01-34-14 – Administrative Hearing Unit

01-02-15 - Closed

01-03-15 - Investigative Unit

Continued Education

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, second by Mr. MacLennan, to approve the requested continuing education courses as follows, the motion carried unanimously:

MyElectricalCEU.com

(a) Changes to the 2014 NEC Online – 10hrs

National Technology Transfer, Inc. (pending receipt of time breakdown)

- (a) 2014 NEC 16hrs
- (b) Troubleshooting Electrical Control Circuits 24hrs
- (c) Electrical Safety for Power Generation, Dist. & Transfer 16hrs
- (d) NFPA 70E/Arc Flash Electrical Safety 14hrs
- (e) Basics of Industrial Electricity 24hrs

(f) Grounding & Bonding of Electrical Systems – 16hrs

Lightwave Learning

- (a) 2014 Code Change Part I 5hrs
- (b) 2014 Code Change Part II 5hrs
- (c) 2014 Code Change Part III 5hrs
- (d) 2014 Grounding & Bonding 5hrs

On-Line-Classes.com

- (a) 2014 NEC Code Change Review, Hour 8 1hr
- (b) 2014 NEC Code Change Review, Hour 7 1hr
- (c) 2014 NEC Code Change Review, Hour 6 1hr
- (d) 2014 NEC Code Change Review, Hour 5 1hr
- (e) 2014 NEC Code Change Review, Hour 4 1hr
- (f) 2014 NEC Code Change Review, Hour 3 1hr
- (g) 2014 NEC Code Change Review, Hour 2 1hr
- (h) 2014 NEC Code Change Review, Hour 1 1hr
- (i) OSHA PPE 1hr
- (j) Review of Electrical Conductors for Buildings 1hr
- (k) Electrical Safety Part 1 1hr
- (I) Electrical Safety Part 2 1hr

Electric League of Maryland, Inc.

(a) Swimming Pools, Spas & Fountain Safety – 5hrs

Review and Consideration of Consent Agreement(s)

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, second by Mr. MacLennan to accept as written the Consent Agreement of Kevin F. Speakman, II. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Consideration of Hearing Officer Recommendation(s)

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to approve Mr. Maloney to draft a final order based on the Hearing Officer recommendation for Shawn P. Dorion. The motion carried unanimously.

Miscellaneous Review & Discussion

Mr. Mangler addressed the Board with the concerns from the statutory changes presented to him by the Board. Specifically he referred to 1417(c) as it relates to the added language regarding homeowner permits. Mr. Mangler advised that the verbiage needed more clarification as to the Boards reasoning for adding it. Mr. MacLennan expressed his concern that homeowners do not always understand the back feed grid and mechanical means of interlock and the potential safety concerns over the aforementioned. Mr. Creedon agreed; safety is a big concern when there is potential for back feed. Mr. Hartley also agreed and suggested adding "...when the possibility of feedback to the distribution system is possible..." to the language already proposed to provide the needed clarification.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence received for the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Ms. Strauss reminded the Board and members of the audience that the electrical inspection agency renewals were coming up. Notice will be mailed out soon; she also advised that the

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agencies renew by 06.15.2015 to allow time for processing prior to the 06.30.2015 expiration. As previously there is no grace period for renewal, all licenses expire at midnight 06.30.2015 and the agencies will have to reapply for licensure if they do not renew on-time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Elliott from Kencor asked the Board what elevator mechanics needed to do to upgrade from Limited Special electrician to Master Special electrician; Prometric only offers one elevator exam without regard to the license they applied for. Ms. Strauss advised that she would contact Prometric to clarify the exam information and that the Board could make a determination at the next meeting based on this information. Ms. Elliott also stated that she would provide Ms. Strauss a list of employees that would be affected.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting will be held on May 6, 2015 at 08:30 Cannon Building 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware, Conference Room A, 2nd floor.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Hartley, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting went off record and adjourned at 10:49.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Strauss Administrative Specialist II